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"An Act Proposing Comprehensive Campaign Finance Reform For State-Wide Constitutional Offices And General Assembly Offices."

1 After line 1780 insert the following and renumber the remaining
2 section accordingly:

3 "Sec. 39. Section 9-333a of the general statutes, as amended by
4 section 1 of public act 99-12, is repealed and the following is
5 substituted in lieu thereof:

6 As used in this chapter:

7 (1) "Committee" means a party committee, political committee or a
8 candidate committee organized, as the case may be, for a single
9 primary, election or referendum, or for ongoing political activities, to
10 aid or promote the success or defeat of any political party, any one or
11 more candidates for public office or the position of convention

12 delegate or town committee member or any referendum question.

13 (2) "Party committee" means a state central committee, [or] a town
14 committee or a legislative caucus committee. "Party committee" does
15 not mean a party-affiliated or district, ward or borough committee
16 which receives all of its funds from the state central committee of its
17 party or from a single town committee with the same party affiliation.
18 Any such committee so funded shall be construed to be a part of its
19 state central or town committee for purposes of this chapter.

20 (3) "Legislative caucus committee" means a single committee
21 designated by the majority of the members of a political party who are
22 also state representatives or state senators, which designation is
23 certified by the chairperson of the committee on the registration filed
24 with the Secretary of the State.

25 [(3)] (4) "Political committee" means (A) a committee organized by a
26 business entity or organization, (B) persons other than individuals, or
27 two or more individuals organized or acting jointly conducting their
28 activities in or outside the state, (C) a committee established by a
29 candidate to determine the particular public office to which [he] the
30 candidate shall seek nomination or election, and referred to in this
31 chapter as an exploratory committee or (D) a committee established by
32 or on behalf of a slate of candidates in a primary for the position of
33 convention delegate, but does not mean a candidate committee or a
34 party committee.

35 [(4)] (5) "Candidate committee" means any committee designated by
36 a single candidate, or established with the consent, authorization or
37 cooperation of a candidate, for the purpose of a single primary or
38 election and to aid or promote [his] the candidate's candidacy alone for
39 a particular public office or the position of town committee member,
40 but does not mean a political committee or a party committee.

41 [(5)] (6) "National committee" means the organization which
42 according to the bylaws of a political party is responsible for the day-
43 to-day operation of the party at the national level.

44 [(6)] (7) "Organization" means all labor organizations, (A) as defined
45 in the Labor-Management Reporting and Disclosure Act of 1959, as
46 from time to time amended, or (B) as defined in subdivision (9) of
47 section 31-101, employee organizations as defined in subsection (d) of
48 section 5-270 and subdivision (6) of section 7-467, bargaining
49 representative organizations for teachers, any local, state or national
50 organization, to which a labor organization pays membership or per
51 capita fees, based upon its affiliation or membership, and trade or
52 professional associations which receive their funds exclusively from
53 membership dues, whether organized in or outside of this state, but
54 does not mean a candidate committee, party committee or a political
55 committee.

56 [(7)] (8) "Business entity" means the following, whether organized in
57 or outside of this state: Stock corporations, banks, insurance
58 companies, business associations, bankers associations, insurance
59 associations, trade or professional associations which receive funds
60 from membership dues and other sources, partnerships, joint ventures,
61 private foundations, as defined in Section 509 of the Internal Revenue
62 Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal revenue code
63 of the United States, as from time to time amended; trusts or estates;
64 corporations organized under sections 38a-175 to 38a-192, inclusive,
65 38a-199 to 38a-209, inclusive, and 38a-214 to 38a-225, inclusive, and
66 chapters 594 to 597, inclusive; cooperatives, and any other association,
67 organization or entity which is engaged in the operation of a business
68 or profit-making activity; but does not include professional service
69 corporations organized under chapter 594a and owned by a single
70 individual, nonstock corporations which are not engaged in business
71 or profit-making activity, organizations, as defined in subdivision (6)
72 of this section, candidate committees, party committees and political
73 committees as defined in this section. For purposes of this chapter,
74 corporations which are component members of a controlled group of
75 corporations, as those terms are defined in Section 1563 of the Internal
76 Revenue Code of 1986, or any subsequent corresponding internal
77 revenue code of the United States, as from time to time amended, shall

78 be deemed to be one corporation.

79 [(8)] (9) "Individual" means a human being, a sole proprietorship, or
80 a professional service corporation organized under chapter 594a and
81 owned by a single human being.

82 [(9)] (10) "Person" means an individual, committee, firm,
83 partnership, organization, association, syndicate, company trust,
84 corporation, limited liability company or any other legal entity of any
85 kind but does not mean the state or any political or administrative
86 subdivision of the state.

87 [(10)] (11) "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination
88 for election or election to public office whether or not such individual
89 is elected, and for the purposes of this chapter an individual shall be
90 deemed to seek nomination for election or election if [he] the
91 individual has (A) been endorsed by a party or become eligible for a
92 position on the ballot at an election or primary or (B) solicited or
93 received contributions or made expenditures or [given his consent]
94 consented to any other person to solicit or receive contributions or
95 make expenditures with the intent to bring about [his] the individual's
96 nomination for election or election to any such office. "Candidate" also
97 means a slate of candidates which is to appear on the ballot in a
98 primary for the position of convention delegate. For the purposes of
99 sections 9-333 to 9-333l, inclusive, and section 9-333w, "candidate" also
100 means an individual who is a candidate in a primary for town
101 committee members.

102 [(11)] (12) "Campaign treasurer" means the individual appointed by
103 a candidate or by the chairman of a party committee or a political
104 committee to receive and disburse funds on behalf of the candidate or
105 committee.

106 [(12)] (13) "Deputy campaign treasurer" means the individual
107 appointed by the candidate or by the chairman of a committee to serve
108 in the capacity of the campaign treasurer if the campaign treasurer is
109 unable to perform [his] the duties of the treasurer.

110 [(13)] (14) "Solicitor" means an individual appointed by a campaign
111 treasurer of a committee to receive, but not to disburse, funds on
112 behalf of the committee.

113 [(14)] (15) "Referendum question" means a question to be voted
114 upon at any election or referendum, including a proposed
115 constitutional amendment.

116 [(15)] (16) "Lobbyist" means a lobbyist as defined in subsection (l) of
117 section 1-91.

118 [(16)] (17) "Business with which he is associated" means any
119 business in which the contributor is a director, officer, owner, limited
120 or general partner or holder of stock constituting five per cent or more
121 of the total outstanding stock of any class. Officer refers only to the
122 president, executive or senior vice-president or treasurer of such
123 business.

124 [(17)] (18) "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure that is
125 made without the consent, knowing participation, or consultation of, a
126 candidate or agent of the candidate committee. "Independent
127 expenditure" does not include an expenditure (A) if there is any
128 coordination or direction with respect to the expenditure between the
129 candidate or the treasurer, deputy treasurer or chairman of [his] the
130 candidate committee and the person making the expenditure or (B) if,
131 during the same election cycle, the individual making the expenditure
132 serves or has served as the treasurer, deputy treasurer or chairman of
133 the candidate committee.

134 [(18)] (19) "Federal account" means a depository account that is
135 subject to the disclosure and contribution limits provided under the
136 Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971, as amended from time to time.

137 [(19)] (20) "Public funds" means funds belonging to, or under the
138 control of, the state or a political subdivision of the state.

139 Sec. 40. Subsection (b) of section 9-333b of the general statutes, as

140 amended by public act 99-264, is repealed and the following is
141 substituted in lieu thereof:

142 (b) As used in this chapter, "contribution" does not mean:

143 (1) A loan of money made in the ordinary course of business by a
144 national or state bank;

145 (2) Any communication made by a corporation, organization or
146 association to its members, owners, stockholders, executive or
147 administrative personnel, or their families;

148 (3) Nonpartisan voter registration and get-out-the-vote campaigns
149 by any corporation, organization or association aimed at its members,
150 owners, stockholders, executive or administrative personnel, or their
151 families;

152 (4) Uncompensated services provided by individuals volunteering
153 their time;

154 (5) The use of real or personal property, and the cost of invitations,
155 food or beverages, voluntarily provided by an individual to a
156 candidate or on behalf of a state central or town committee, in
157 rendering voluntary personal services for candidate or party-related
158 activities at the individual's residence, to the extent that the cumulative
159 value of the invitations, food or beverages provided by the individual
160 on behalf of any single candidate does not exceed two hundred dollars
161 with respect to any single election, and on behalf of all state central
162 and town committees does not exceed four hundred dollars in any
163 calendar year;

164 (6) The sale of food or beverage for use in a candidate's campaign or
165 for use by a state central or town committee at a discount, if the charge
166 is not less than the cost to the vendor, to the extent that the cumulative
167 value of the discount given to or on behalf of any single candidate does
168 not exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election,
169 and on behalf of all state central and town committees does not exceed

170 four hundred dollars in a calendar year;

171 (7) Any unreimbursed payment for travel expenses made by an
172 individual who on his own behalf volunteers his personal services to
173 any single candidate to the extent the cumulative value does not
174 exceed two hundred dollars with respect to any single election, and on
175 behalf of all state central or town committees does not exceed four
176 hundred dollars in a calendar year;

177 (8) The payment, by a party committee, political committee or an
178 individual, of the costs of preparation, display, mailing or other
179 distribution incurred by the committee or individual with respect to
180 any printed slate card, sample ballot or other printed list containing
181 the names of three or more candidates;

182 (9) The donation of any item of personal property by an individual
183 to a committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction,
184 or the purchase by an individual of any such item at such an affair, to
185 the extent that the cumulative value donated or purchased does not
186 exceed fifty dollars;

187 [(10) The purchase of advertising space which clearly identifies the
188 purchaser, in a program for a fund-raising affair, provided the
189 cumulative purchase of such space does not exceed two hundred fifty
190 dollars from any single candidate or his committee with respect to any
191 single election campaign or two hundred fifty dollars from any single
192 party committee or other political committee in any calendar year if
193 the purchaser is a business entity or fifty dollars for purchases by any
194 other person;]

195 [(11)] (10) The payment of money by a candidate to his candidate
196 committee;

197 [(12)] (11) The donation of goods or services by a business entity to a
198 committee for a fund-raising affair, including a tag sale or auction, to
199 the extent that the cumulative value donated does not exceed one
200 hundred dollars;

201 ~~[(13)]~~ (12) The advance of a security deposit by an individual to a
202 telephone company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications
203 service for a committee, provided the security deposit is refunded to
204 the individual; or

205 ~~[(14)]~~ (13) The provision of facilities, equipment, technical and
206 managerial support, and broadcast time by a community antenna
207 television company, as defined in section 16-1, for community access
208 programming pursuant to section 16-331a, unless (A) the major
209 purpose of providing such facilities, equipment, support and time is to
210 influence the nomination or election of a candidate or (B) such
211 facilities, equipment, support and time are provided on behalf of a
212 political party.

213 Sec. 41. Section 9-333d of the general statutes is amended by adding
214 subsection (d) as follows:

215 (NEW) (d) (1) In addition to its jurisdiction over persons who are
216 residents of this state, the State Elections Enforcement Commission
217 may exercise personal jurisdiction over any nonresident person, or the
218 agent of such person, who makes a payment of money, gives anything
219 of value, or makes a contribution or expenditure to or for the benefit of
220 any committee or candidate.

221 (2) Where personal jurisdiction is based solely upon this subsection,
222 an appearance does not confer personal jurisdiction with respect to
223 causes of action not arising from an act enumerated in this subsection.

224 (3) Any nonresident person or the agent of such person over whom
225 the State Elections Enforcement Commission may exercise personal
226 jurisdiction, as provided in subdivision (1), shall be deemed to have
227 appointed the Secretary of the State as the person's or agent's attorney
228 and to have agreed that any process in any complaint, investigation or
229 other matter conducted pursuant to section 9-7b brought against the
230 nonresident person, or said person's agent, may be served upon the
231 Secretary of the State and shall have the same validity as if served
232 upon such nonresident person or agent personally. The process shall

233 be served by the officer to whom the same is directed upon the
234 Secretary of the State by leaving with or at the office of the Secretary of
235 the State, at least twelve days before any required appearance day of
236 such process, a true and attested copy of such process, and by sending
237 to the nonresident person or agent so served, at the person's or agent's
238 last-known address, by registered or certified mail, postage prepaid, a
239 like and attested copy with an endorsement thereon of the service
240 upon the Secretary of the State. The Secretary of the State shall keep a
241 record of each such process and the day and hour of service.

242 Sec. 42. Subdivision (1) of subsection (g) of section 9-333i of the
243 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
244 thereof:

245 (g) (1) As used in this subsection, (A) "the lawful purposes of his
246 committee" means: (i) For a candidate committee or exploratory
247 committee, the promoting of the nomination or election of the
248 candidate who established the committee; (ii) for a political committee,
249 the promoting of the success or defeat of candidates for nomination
250 and election to public office or position subject to the requirements of
251 this chapter, or the success or defeat of referendum questions,
252 provided a political committee formed for a single referendum
253 question shall not promote the success or defeat of any candidate; [and
254 provided further a political committee designated by the majority of
255 the members of a political party who are also members of the state
256 House of Representatives or the state Senate may expend funds to
257 defray costs of its members for conducting legislative or constituency-
258 related business which are not reimbursed or paid by the state;] and
259 (iii) for a party committee, the promoting of the party, the candidates
260 of the party and continuing operating costs of the party, provided a
261 legislative caucus committee may expend funds to defray costs of its
262 members for conducting legislative or constituency-related business
263 which are not reimbursed or paid by the state, and (B) "immediate
264 family" means a spouse or dependent child of a candidate who resides
265 in the candidate's household.

266 Sec. 43. Subsection (c) of section 9-333j of the general statutes is
267 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

268 (c) (1) Each statement filed under subsection (a), (e) or (f) of this
269 section shall include, but not be limited to: (A) An itemized accounting
270 of each contribution, if any, including the full name and complete
271 address of each contributor and the amount of the contribution; (B) in
272 the case of anonymous contributions, the total amount received and
273 the denomination of the bills; (C) an itemized accounting of each
274 expenditure, if any, including the full name and complete address of
275 each payee, the amount and the purpose of the expenditure, the
276 candidate supported or opposed by the expenditure, whether the
277 expenditure is made independently of the candidate supported or is an
278 in-kind contribution to the candidate, and a statement of the balance
279 on hand or deficit, as the case may be; (D) an itemized accounting of
280 each expense incurred but not paid; (E) the name and address of any
281 person who is the guarantor of a loan to, or the cosigner of a note with,
282 the candidate on whose behalf the committee was formed, or the
283 campaign treasurer in the case of a party committee or a political
284 committee or who has advanced a security deposit to a telephone
285 company, as defined in section 16-1, for telecommunications service
286 for a committee; (F) [for each business entity or person purchasing
287 advertising space in a program for a fund-raising affair, the name and
288 address of the business entity and the name of the chief executive
289 officer of the business entity or the name and address of the person,
290 and the amount and aggregate amounts of such purchases; (G)] for
291 each individual who contributes in excess of one hundred dollars but
292 not more than one thousand dollars, in the aggregate, to the extent
293 known, the principal occupation of such individual and the name of
294 the individual's employer, if any; [(H)] (G) for each individual who
295 contributes in excess of one thousand dollars in the aggregate, the
296 principal occupation of such individual, the name of the individual's
297 employer, if any, and a statement indicating whether the individual or
298 a business with which he is associated has a contract with the state
299 which is valued at more than five thousand dollars; and [(I)] (H) for

300 each itemized contribution made by a lobbyist, the spouse of a lobbyist
301 or any dependent child of a lobbyist who resides in the lobbyist's
302 household, a statement to that effect. Each campaign treasurer shall
303 include in such statement an itemized accounting of the receipts and
304 expenditures relative to any testimonial affair held under the
305 provisions of section 9-333k or any other fund-raising affair.

306 (2) Each contributor described in subparagraph [(G), (H) or (I)] (F),
307 (G) or (H) of subdivision (1) of this subsection shall, at the time he
308 makes such a contribution, provide the information which the
309 campaign treasurer is required to include under said subparagraph in
310 the statement filed under subsection (a), (e) or (f) of this section.
311 Notwithstanding any provision of subdivision (2) of section 9-7b, any
312 contributor described in subparagraph [(G)] (F) of subdivision (1) of
313 this subsection who does not provide such information at the time he
314 makes such a contribution and any treasurer shall not be subject to the
315 provisions of subdivision (2) of section 9-7b. If a campaign treasurer
316 receives a contribution from an individual which separately, or in the
317 aggregate, is in excess of one thousand dollars and the contributor has
318 not provided the information required by said subparagraph [(H)] (G),
319 the campaign treasurer: (i) Within three business days after receiving
320 the contribution, shall send a request for such information to the
321 contributor by certified mail, return receipt requested; (ii) shall not
322 deposit the contribution until he obtains such information from the
323 contributor, notwithstanding the provisions of section 9-333h; and (iii)
324 shall return the contribution to the contributor if the contributor does
325 not provide the required information within fourteen days after the
326 treasurer's written request or the end of the reporting period in which
327 the contribution was received, whichever is later. Any failure of a
328 contributor to provide the information which the campaign treasurer is
329 required to include under said subparagraph [(G) or (I)] (F) or (H),
330 which results in noncompliance by the campaign treasurer with the
331 provisions of said subparagraph [(G) or (I)] (F) or (H), shall be a
332 complete defense to any action against the campaign treasurer for
333 failure to disclose such information.

334 (3) Contributions from a single individual to a campaign treasurer
335 in the aggregate totaling thirty dollars or less need not be individually
336 identified in the statement, but a sum representing the total amount of
337 all such contributions made by all such individuals during the period
338 to be covered by such statement shall be a separate entry, identified
339 only by the words "total contributions from small contributors".

340 (4) Statements filed in accordance with this section shall remain
341 public records of the state for five years from the date such statements
342 are filed.

343 Sec. 44. Subsection (a) of section 9-333k of the general statutes is
344 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

345 (a) The chairman of each party committee shall designate a
346 campaign treasurer and may designate a deputy campaign treasurer,
347 or in the case of a state central committee, not more than two deputy
348 campaign treasurers. The campaign treasurer and any deputy
349 campaign treasurers so designated shall sign a statement accepting the
350 designation, which shall be filed with the proper authority with the
351 statement of designation required under subdivision (1) of subsection
352 (a) of section 9-333d. No state central committee or town committee
353 shall establish a committee other than a single party committee for
354 purposes of this chapter. The members of the same political party in a
355 house of the General Assembly may establish only one legislative
356 caucus committee. A party committee or a political committee
357 organized for ongoing political activities shall form no other political
358 committees, except that two or more such committees may join to form
359 a political committee for the purpose of a single fund-raising event.

360 Sec. 45. Subsection (g) of section 9-333l of the general statutes is
361 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

362 (g) As used in this subsection, "immediate family" means any
363 spouse or dependent child who resides in a lobbyist's household. Each
364 lobbyist who is an individual and, in conjunction with members of his
365 immediate family, makes contributions to or purchases from

366 committees exceeding one thousand dollars in the aggregate during
367 the twelve-month period beginning July 1, 1993, or July first in any
368 year thereafter, shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false
369 statement, with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the
370 provisions of section 9-333e, on the second Thursday in July following
371 the end of such twelve-month period. The statement shall include: (1)
372 The name of each committee to which the lobbyist or a member of his
373 immediate family has made a contribution and the amount and date of
374 each such contribution; and (2) the name of each committee from
375 which the lobbyist or member of his immediate family has purchased
376 any item of property [or advertising space in a program] in connection
377 with a fund-raising event which is not considered a contribution under
378 subsection (b) of section 9-333b and the amount, date and description
379 of each such purchase. Each lobbyist who is an individual and who, in
380 conjunction with members of his immediate family, does not make
381 contributions to or purchases from committees exceeding one
382 thousand dollars in the aggregate during any such twelve-month
383 period shall file a statement, sworn under penalty of false statement,
384 with the Secretary of the State in accordance with the provisions of
385 section 9-333e, on the second Thursday in July, so indicating.

386 Sec. 46. Section 9-333n of the general statutes is repealed and the
387 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

388 (a) No individual shall make a contribution or contributions in any
389 one calendar year in excess of five thousand dollars to the state central
390 committee of any party, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
391 to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a town
392 committee of any political party, or for the benefit of such committee
393 pursuant to its authorization or request; or two thousand dollars to a
394 legislative caucus committee, or for the benefit of such committee
395 pursuant to its authorization or request; or one thousand dollars to a
396 political committee other than (1) a political committee formed solely
397 to aid or promote the success or defeat of a referendum question, (2) an
398 exploratory committee, (3) a political committee established by an
399 organization, or for the benefit of such committee pursuant to its

400 authorization or request or (4) a political committee formed by a slate
401 of candidates in a primary for the position of delegate to the same
402 convention. No individual who intends to make a contribution to any
403 clearly identifiable candidate's campaign for nomination or election to
404 any public office may do so unless the contribution is made directly to
405 the candidate's designated candidate or exploratory committee or to a
406 solicitor appointed by the campaign treasurer of such committee. A
407 political committee or party committee may not accept a contribution
408 from an individual which is intended to be made for such purpose.
409 This prohibition shall not apply to a contribution made to benefit a
410 slate of candidates whose campaigns are funded solely by a party
411 committee or political committee formed for a single primary or
412 election as permitted by subsection (b) of section 9-333f.

413 (b) No individual shall make a contribution to a political committee
414 established by an organization which receives its funds from the
415 organization's treasury. With respect to a political committee
416 established by an organization which has complied with the provisions
417 of subsection (b) or (c) of section 9-333p, and has elected to receive
418 contributions, no individual other than a member of the organization
419 may make contributions to the committee, in which case the individual
420 may contribute not more than five hundred dollars in any one calendar
421 year to such committee or for the benefit of such committee pursuant
422 to its authorization or request.

423 (c) In no event may any individual make contributions to a
424 candidate committee and a political committee formed solely to
425 support one candidate other than an exploratory committee or for the
426 benefit of a candidate committee and a political committee formed
427 solely to support one candidate pursuant to the authorization or
428 request of any such committee, in an amount which in the aggregate is
429 in excess of the maximum amount which may be contributed to the
430 candidate.

431 (d) Any individual may make unlimited contributions or
432 expenditures to aid or promote the success or defeat of any

433 referendum question, provided any individual who makes an
434 expenditure or expenditures in excess of one thousand dollars to
435 promote the success or defeat of any referendum question shall file
436 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
437 is required of a campaign treasurer of a political committee under
438 section 9-333j.

439 (e) Any individual acting alone may, independent of any candidate,
440 agent of the candidate, or committee, make unlimited expenditures to
441 promote the success or defeat of any candidate's campaign for election,
442 or nomination at a primary, to any office or position, provided any
443 individual who makes an independent expenditure or expenditures in
444 excess of one thousand dollars to promote the success or defeat of any
445 candidate's campaign for election, or nomination at a primary, to any
446 such office or position shall file statements according to the same
447 schedule and in the same manner as is required of a campaign
448 treasurer of a candidate committee under section 9-333j.

449 (f) (1) As used in this subsection, "investment services" means legal
450 services, investment banking services, investment advisory services,
451 underwriting services, financial advisory services or brokerage firm
452 services.

453 (2) No individual who is an owner of a firm which provides
454 investment services and to which the Treasurer pays compensation,
455 expenses or fees or issues a contract, and no individual who is
456 employed by such a firm as a manager, officer, director, partner or
457 employee with managerial or discretionary responsibilities to invest,
458 manage funds or provide investment services for brokerage,
459 underwriting and financial advisory activities which are in the
460 statutory and constitutional purview of the Treasurer, shall make a
461 contribution on or after October 1, 1995, to, or solicit contributions on
462 or after said date on behalf of, an exploratory committee or candidate
463 committee established by a candidate for nomination or election to the
464 office of Treasurer during the term of office of the Treasurer which
465 pays compensation, expenses or fees or issues a contract to such firm.

466 (g) No lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for
467 the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary
468 or election to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of two hundred fifty
469 dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer,
470 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of two hundred dollars; (3)
471 state senator, in excess of one hundred fifty dollars; or (4) state
472 representative, in excess of one hundred dollars. No lobbyist shall
473 make a contribution or contributions in any one calendar year in excess
474 of five hundred dollars to a state central committee, in excess of two
475 hundred fifty dollars to a town committee and in excess of two
476 hundred fifty dollars to a legislative caucus committee.

477 (h) Any candidate who (1) has filed a certification pursuant to
478 subdivision (2) or (3) of subsection (b) of section 9-333f and (2)
479 personally makes an expenditure or expenditures in excess of one
480 thousand dollars to, or for the benefit of, said candidate's campaign for
481 nomination at a primary or election to an office or position shall file
482 statements according to the same schedule and in the same manner as
483 is required of a campaign treasurer of a candidate committee under
484 section 9-333j.

485 Sec. 47. Subsection (b) of section 9-333o of the general statutes is
486 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

487 (b) A business entity may make reasonable and necessary transfers
488 or disbursements to or for the benefit of a political committee
489 established by such business entity, for the administration of, or
490 solicitation of contributions to, such political committee. No business
491 entity shall establish more than one political committee. Nonmonetary
492 contributions by a business entity which are incidental in nature and
493 are directly attributable to the administration of such political
494 committee shall be exempt from the reporting requirements of this
495 chapter.

496 Sec. 48. Section 9-333o of the general statutes is amended by adding
497 subsection (g) as follows:

498 (NEW) (g) No political committee established by a business entity
499 that is a lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for
500 the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary
501 or election to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of two hundred fifty
502 dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer,
503 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of two hundred dollars; (3)
504 state senator, in excess of one hundred fifty dollars; or (4) state
505 representative, in excess of one hundred dollars. No such political
506 committee shall make a contribution or contributions in any one
507 calendar year in excess of five hundred dollars to a state central
508 committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a town committee
509 or in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a legislative caucus
510 committee.

511 Sec. 49. Section 9-333q of the general statutes is amended by adding
512 subsection (f) as follows:

513 (NEW) (f) No political committee established by an organization
514 that is a lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for
515 the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary
516 or election to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of two hundred fifty
517 dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, Treasurer,
518 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of two hundred dollars; (3)
519 state senator, in excess of one hundred fifty dollars; or (4) state
520 representative, in excess of one hundred dollars. No such political
521 committee shall make a contribution or contributions in any one
522 calendar year in excess of five hundred dollars to a state central
523 committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a town committee
524 or in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a legislative caucus
525 committee.

526 Sec. 50. Section 9-333t of the general statutes is repealed and the
527 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

528 (a) [A] No political committee organized for ongoing political
529 activities [may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a

530 party committee; any national committee of a political party; a
531 candidate committee; or a committee of a candidate for federal or out-
532 of-state office] shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the
533 benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or
534 election to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars,
535 (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
536 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars,
537 (3) sheriff, in excess of two thousand dollars, (4) state senator, probate
538 judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of
539 one thousand dollars, (5) state representative, in excess of five hundred
540 dollars, or (6) any other office of a municipality not included in
541 subdivision (4) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty
542 dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately
543 to primaries and elections.

544 (b) No such political committee shall make a contribution or
545 contributions in excess of two thousand dollars to another political
546 committee in any calendar year except that a political committee
547 organized by a business entity may make unlimited contributions to,
548 or for the benefit of, another political committee organized by a
549 business entity. No political committee organized for ongoing political
550 activities shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred fifty
551 dollars to an exploratory committee. If such an ongoing committee is
552 established by an organization or a business entity, its contributions
553 shall be subject to the limits imposed by sections 9-333o to 9-333q,
554 inclusive.

555 (c) No political committee organized for ongoing political activities
556 shall make a contribution or contributions in any calendar year to (1) a
557 state central committee, in excess of five thousand dollars, (2) a town
558 committee, in excess of one thousand dollars or (3) a legislative caucus
559 committee, in excess of two thousand dollars.

560 (d) A political committee organized for ongoing political activities
561 may make unlimited contributions to a national committee, a
562 committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office, and a

563 charitable organization which is a tax-exempt organization under
564 Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as from time to time
565 amended, or make memorial contributions.

566 ~~[(b)]~~ (e) A political committee organized for ongoing political
567 activities may receive contributions from the federal account of a
568 national committee, [of a political party,] but may not receive
569 contributions from any other account of a national committee [of a
570 political party] or from a committee of a candidate for federal or out-
571 of-state office.

572 (f) No elected public official, agent of an elected public official or
573 individual acting in consultation with, or at the request or suggestion
574 of, any such public official or agent shall establish, direct or control
575 more than one political committee organized for ongoing political
576 activities.

577 (g) No political committee organized for ongoing political activities
578 by or on behalf of a lobbyist shall make a contribution or contributions
579 to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a
580 primary or election to the office of (1) Governor, in excess of two
581 hundred fifty dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State,
582 Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of two hundred
583 dollars; (3) state senator, in excess of one hundred fifty dollars; or (4)
584 state representative, in excess of one hundred dollars. No such
585 political committee shall make a contribution or contributions in any
586 one calendar year in excess of five hundred dollars to a state central
587 committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a town committee
588 or in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a legislative caucus
589 committee.

590 Sec. 51. Section 9-333u of the general statutes is repealed and the
591 following is substituted in lieu thereof:

592 [(a) A political committee established for a single primary or
593 election may make unlimited contributions to, or for the benefit of, a
594 party committee or a candidate committee, but no such]

595 (a) No political committee established for a single primary or
596 election shall make a contribution or contributions to, or for the benefit
597 of, any candidate's campaign for nomination at a primary or election to
598 the office of (1) Governor, in excess of five thousand dollars, (2)
599 Lieutenant Governor, Secretary of the State, State Treasurer, State
600 Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of three thousand dollars,
601 (3) sheriff, in excess of two thousand dollars, (4) state senator, probate
602 judge or chief executive officer of a town, city or borough, in excess of
603 one thousand dollars, (5) state representative, in excess of five hundred
604 dollars, or (6) any other office of a municipality not included in
605 subdivision (4) of this subsection, in excess of two hundred fifty
606 dollars. The limits imposed by this subsection shall apply separately
607 to primaries and elections and shall not apply to a political committee
608 established for a slate of candidates under subsection (b) of section 9-
609 333f.

610 (b) No political committee established for a single primary or
611 election shall make contributions to a national committee, or a
612 committee of a candidate for federal or out-of-state office. If such a
613 political committee is established by an organization or a business
614 entity, its contributions shall also be subject to the limitations imposed
615 by sections 9-333o to 9-333q, inclusive. No political committee formed
616 for a single election or primary shall, with respect to such election or
617 primary make a contribution or contributions in excess of two
618 thousand dollars to another political committee, provided no such
619 political committee shall make a contribution in excess of two hundred
620 fifty dollars to an exploratory committee.

621 (c) No political committee established for a single primary or
622 election shall make a contribution or contributions to (1) a state central
623 committee, in excess of five thousand dollars, (2) a town committee, in
624 excess of one thousand dollars or (3) a legislative caucus committee, in
625 excess of two thousand dollars.

626 [(b)] (d) A political committee established for a single primary or

627 election shall not receive contributions from a committee of a
628 candidate for federal or out-of-state office or from a national
629 committee.

630 (e) No elected public official, agent of an elected public official or
631 individual acting in consultation with, or at the request or suggestion
632 of, any such public official or agent shall establish, direct or control
633 more than one political committee established for a single primary or
634 election.

635 (f) No political committee established for a single primary or
636 election by or on behalf of a lobbyist shall make a contribution or
637 contributions to, or for the benefit of, any candidate's campaign for
638 nomination at a primary or election to the office of (1) Governor, in
639 excess of two hundred fifty dollars; (2) Lieutenant Governor, Secretary
640 of the State, Treasurer, Comptroller or Attorney General, in excess of
641 two hundred dollars; (3) state senator, in excess of one hundred fifty
642 dollars; or (4) state representative, in excess of one hundred dollars. No
643 such political committee shall make a contribution or contributions in
644 any one calendar year in excess of five hundred dollars to a state
645 central committee, in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a town
646 committee or in excess of two hundred fifty dollars to a legislative
647 caucus committee.

648 Sec. 52. Section 9-333w of the general statutes is amended by adding
649 subsection (g) as follows:

650 (NEW) (g) The campaign treasurer of an exploratory committee or
651 candidate committee established by a candidate for nomination or
652 election as a state officer, as defined in subdivision (1) of subsection (g)
653 of section 9-333n, as amended, which sponsors any written, typed or
654 other printed communication for the purpose of raising funds shall
655 include in such communication a statement concerning the
656 contribution limit set forth in subsection (g) of section 9-333n.

657 Sec. 53. Subsections (b) and (c) of section 9-348ee of the general

658 statutes are repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof:

659 (b) On and after January 1, [1999] 2001, the campaign treasurer of
660 the candidate committee for each candidate for nomination or election
661 to the office of Governor, Lieutenant Governor, Attorney General,
662 State Comptroller, State Treasurer, [or] Secretary of the State, state
663 senator or state representative who raises or spends [two hundred
664 fifty] fifteen thousand dollars or more during an election campaign,
665 the campaign treasurer of each political committee or town committee
666 that raises or spends fifteen thousand dollars or more in a calendar
667 year, and the campaign treasurer of each state central committee and
668 legislative caucus committee shall file in electronic form all financial
669 disclosure statements required by said section 9-333j by either
670 transmitting disks, tapes or other electronic storage media containing
671 the contents of such statements to the office of the Secretary of the State
672 or transmitting the statements on-line to said office. Each such
673 campaign treasurer shall use either (1) a software program created by
674 the Secretary of the State under subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this
675 section, for all such statements filed on or after [January 1, 1999] said
676 date, or (2) another software program which provides for the standard
677 reporting format, and complies with the specifications, which are
678 prescribed by the secretary under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of
679 this section, for all such statements filed on or after [July 1, 1999] said
680 date. The office of the Secretary of the State shall accept any statement
681 that uses any such software program. Once any such candidate
682 committee has raised or spent [two hundred fifty] fifteen thousand
683 dollars or more during an election campaign, all previously filed
684 statements required by said section 9-333j, which were not filed in
685 electronic form shall be refiled in such form, using such a software
686 program, not later than the date on which the campaign treasurer of
687 the committee is required to file the next regular statement under said
688 section 9-333j.

689 (c) On and after January 1, [1999] 2001, (1) the campaign treasurer of
690 the candidate committee for any other candidate, as defined in section
691 9-333a, who is required to file the financial disclosure statements

692 required by section 9-333j with the office of the Secretary of the State
693 and (2) the campaign treasurer of any other political committee or
694 party committee, may file in electronic form any financial disclosure
695 statements required by said section 9-333j. Such filings may be made
696 by either transmitting disks, tapes or other electronic storage media
697 containing the contents of such statements to the proper authority
698 under section 9-333e or transmitting the statements on-line to such
699 proper authority. Each such campaign treasurer shall use either (A) a
700 software program created by the Secretary of the State under
701 subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section, for all such statements
702 filed in electronic form on or after [January 1, 1999] said date, or (B)
703 another software program which provides for the standard reporting
704 format, and complies with the specifications, which are prescribed by
705 the secretary under subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section, for
706 all such statements filed in electronic form on or after [July 1, 1999]
707 said date. The proper authority under section 9-333e shall accept any
708 statement that uses any such software program."

709 In line 1782, after "34", insert ", inclusive," strike the first "and" and
710 after "36" insert "and 39 to 53, inclusive,"